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Ecolab Adds Scale to U.S. Textile Care Business

ST. PAUL, Minn., Sep 09, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Ecolab Inc. announced it has purchased the commercial laundry division of Dober Chemical Corporation, a privately-held Woodridge, IL firm. Dober's commercial laundry business had 2009 sales of approximately \$37 million. No other details were announced.

Douglas M. Baker, Jr., Ecolab's Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer commented on the announcement, saying, "This acquisition strengthens our North American commercial laundry business, adding significant customer relationships and business scale. Further, it provides unique technology in data management and wastewater solutions that will improve the value of our offerings and better serve our customers. We expect this transaction to enhance our returns on our existing investment in textile care and create opportunities for new business development in the market."

With sales of \$6 billion and more than 26,000 associates, Ecolab Inc. (NYSE: ECL) is the global leader in cleaning, sanitizing, food safety and infection prevention products and services. Ecolab delivers comprehensive programs and services to foodservice, food and beverage processing, healthcare, and hospitality markets in more than 160 countries. More news and information is available at www.ecolab.com.

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